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TAGS: OVIP, MILL, LI (GRIGSBY, SENATOR HARRISON M.)

SUBJ: FOREIGN VIP REQUEST FOR TREATMENT AT WALTER REED ARMY HOSP

1. SENATOR HARRISON M. GRIGSBY (SINOE COUNTY) APPROACHED EMBASSY JULY 9 WITH REQUEST FOR EXAMINATION AND POSSIBLE TREATMENT FOR HIS WIFE AND HIMSELF AT WALTER REED ARMY HOSPITAL. GRIGSBY SAID HE HAS "SERIOUS STOMACH PROBLEMS" REQUIRING "BEST TREATMENT." SAID WIFE SUFFERING FROM "BACK PROBLEMS."
2. GRIGSBY IS FORMER SECRETARY OF INTERIOR AND FORMER SECRETARY OF NATIONAL DEFENSE DURING TUBMAN REGIME. WAS AT ONE TIME MENTIONED AS PRESIDENTIAL POSSIBILITY.
3. EMBOFF TOLD GRIGSBY THAT AFFIRMATIVE RESPONSE TO HIS REQUEST LIKELY BE DIFFICULT AND MADE NO COMMITMENT OTHER THAN TO PASS REQUEST TO APPROPRIATE WASHINGTON AUTHORITIES. WE ASSUME HE WILL ASK LIBERIAN EMBASSY TO APPROACH DEPARTMENT SINCE HE DID NOT GET A DEFINITIVE ANSWER HERE.
4. GRIGSBY DEPARTING MONROVIA JULY 14 FOR RELIGIOUS CONFERENCE IN LAUSANNE AND THENCE TO U.S. EXPECTS TO BE IN NEW YORK LAST WEEK IN JULY AND WASHINGTON FIRST WEEK AUGUST. ASKED THAT DECISION ON HIS REQUEST BE TRANSMITTED TO HIM THROUGH LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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LIBERIAN CONSULATE GENERAL IN NEW YORK.

5. WHILE GRIGSBY IS (AND HAS BEEN FOR SOME TIME) PROMINENT
(AND SOMETIMES CONTROVERSIAL) POLITICAL PERSONALITY, WE DO NOT
REGARD HIM AS VITAL TO OUR INTEREST HERE (SEE BIO-DATA FILE
IN DEPT). THEREFORE, WE RECOMMEND THAT IF ADMISSION TO
WALTER REED CAN BE ARRANGED WITHOUT DIFFICULTY, GRIGSBY BE
ACCORDED THIS COURTESY. HOWEVER, IF IT WOULD MEAN EROSION
OF OUR GOOD WILL WITH DOD MEDICAL AUTHORITIES, RECOMMEND HIS
REQUEST BE POLITELY DENIED AND IT BE SUGGESTED HE CONSULT ONE
OF THE PRIVATE INSTITUTIONS IN THE WASHINGTON AREA.
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